

Raised Bill HB5289: An Act Concerning The Timing Of Certain Special Municipal Elections

Senator Musto, Representative Julita and Members of the GAE

My name is Sue W. Larsen. I am the Chairman of the ROVAC Legislative Committee and here in support of HB 5289. South Windsor, East Windsor and Windsor, like all cities and towns in CT, recently held an August Senatorial Primary. However, one week later we had to hold a Special Election for Judge of Probate. While this proposal would not have impacted our situation because the bill is for elections, we can attest to the increase costs, training, hours and paperwork associated with 2 events happening so close together. South Windsor spent approximately \$15,000 on this special election.

This bill would provide a real cost savings to municipalities while still maintaining the integrity of our elections.

Thank you for allowing this testimony.

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